

<b>Optometry Board</b>		<b>Erik D. Christianson, O.D.</b>
<b>General Information</b>		
Board/Commission and seat you are seeking: Optometry Board, 01/01/2016		
Additional Boards/Commissions of interest: None		
State Boards/Commissions on which you have served: Board of Examiners in Optometry		
First Name Erik	Middle Name D.	Last Name Christianson, O.D.
Military Service		
<b>Conflict of Interest</b>		
Full disclosure of personal financial data under AS 39.50.010 is required for certain boards and commissions. Are you willing to provide this information if required for the board or commission which you are applying? Yes		
Service in a public office is a public trust. The Ethics Act (AS 39.52.110) prohibits substantial and material conflicts of interest. Is it possible that you or any member of your family will benefit financially by decisions to be made by the board or commission for which you are applying? If you answer 'yes' to this question you MUST explain the potential financial benefit. No		
Please explain the potential financial benefit		
<b>Employment History</b>		
Employment work history including paid, unpaid, or voluntary. see resume		
<b>Education, Training, Experience &amp; Qualifications</b>		
List both formal and informal education and training experiences: see resume		
List any professional licenses, certifications, or registrations and dates obtained that may be used as qualifying criteria: Doctor of Optometry 1986; Member American Optometric Association 1984-present. Member Alaska Optometric Association 1987-present: Secretary 1994-96.		
List any community service, municipal government, and state positions held, and any awards received. Member Ketchikan Rotary 2000 from 1992-2002; Active Member of First Lutheran Church: Church council member 2002-2010, Council president 2008-2010, USA swimming referee 2002-2008, Youth Soccer Coach 2000-2012, Little League Baseball coach 2004-2008, Boy Scouts of America Adult Volunteer 2005-2012.		
<b>Conviction Record</b>		
Have you ever been convicted of a misdemeanor within the past <u>five</u> years or a felony within the past <u>ten</u> years? No		
Conviction Circumstances		

### **Certification of Accuracy & Completeness**

By submitting this online application, I swear the information I have entered on this form is true to the best of my knowledge. I understand that if I deliberately conceal or enter false information on the form my application may be rejected, I may be removed from the list of eligible candidates, or I may be removed from the position. I agree that the Office of the Governor may contact present or former employees or other persons who know me to obtain an additional information about my skills and abilities. I understand that the information on this application is public information and may be released through a legal request for such information.

Type "I certify"

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Resume Addendum:

### **Press Release Wording**

Erik D. Christianson, O.D., {56} of {Ketchikan}, is a practicing doctor of optometry and co-owner of Ketchikan Eye Care Center. He has practiced in Ketchikan since 1990.

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## CURRICULUM VITAE

**Erik D. Christianson, O.D.**

Ketchikan Eye Care Center  


### Education

**Montana State University**

*Bozeman, Montana*

1978-79, pursued pre-medical curriculum.

**Concordia College**

*Moorhead, Minnesota*

1980-82, continued pre-medical studies.

**Pacific University**

*Forest Grove, Oregon*

1983, Bachelor of Science Degree in Visual Science, Cum Laude

**Pacific University College of Optometry**

*Forest Grove, Oregon*

1982-1986 Doctor of Optometry Program

1986, Doctor of Optometry Degree, 3.48 gpa

### Professional experience

**Eagle River Vision Clinic/Eagle River, Alaska**

*August 1986-August 1987*

**Associate Optometrist**

Practiced as an associate at Eagle River Vision Clinic in Eagle River, Alaska. Practice owner was Jeff Keene, O.D. I was hired to help with a growing practice and offer an optometric specialty. Specifically I was initially hired to investigate and develop a Vision Therapy program at the practice. Due to growth of the primary care portion of the practice and the demands of a large itinerant portion of the clinic duties I took over most of the itinerant duties. I held itinerant clinics in Kotzebue, Nome, King Salmon, Dutch Harbor, Barrow, and in the 7 villages on the North Slope (Atkasuk, Kaktovik, Nuiqsut, Wainwright, Pt. Lay, Pt. Hope, and Anaktuvuk Pass ). I developed my primary care and intraprofessional team skills through this experience. I also got to see and meet people from all over Alaska.

## **North Slope Borough Health Department/Barrow, Alaska**

*August 1987-January 1990*

### **Staff Optometrist/Clinical Eye Care Coordinator**

I was hired to develop the Eye Care program for the North Slope. Administrative duties included designing and remodeling office space in Greist Family Services Center to perform as an Eye Clinic. Hiring, training, and maintaining a staff of 3 persons. Clinical duties included general primary eye care in Barrow and travel a minimum of 2 times per year to the other villages in the North Slope Borough. I developed a good working relationship with hospital staff, Public Health Service ophthalmology/optometry, and Alaska private sector ophthalmology/optometry. I was a consulting staff member of the Barrow Hospital. Due to the remote nature of Barrow and the North Slope I utilized the full-scope of my eye training. This was very valuable training.

## **Alpine Vision Center/Ketchikan, Alaska**

*January 1990-April 1997*

### **Private Practice**

Purchased a 25+ year-old practice from the estate of the late Ed. L. Craig, O.D. in Ketchikan, Alaska. My practice was full-scope optometry with an emphasis on specialty contact lenses, primary care, ocular disease management and surgical co-management. 3 staff members were employed at the practice besides myself. I developed itinerant office sites in Craig, Alaska and Metlakatla, Alaska. The services provided in Metlakatla were through the auspices of the Public Health Service. Due to the geographic location of Ketchikan and lack of a permanent ophthalmologist I developed a reputation as a eye diagnostician and consultation source for Southern Southeast Alaska physicians. I kept my working relationship with Public Health Ophthalmology /Optometry intact. I developed a referral network through relationships with ophthalmology subspecialists in Alaska, Oregon, and Washington state.

## **Ketchikan Eye Care Center/Ketchikan, Alaska**

*April 1997-Present*

### **Practice in a Partnership**

Eye Care and Health Care were changing at a rapid pace. Solo practice was inefficient. Although we both had healthy practices in Ketchikan, AK Dr. Rick Swearingen and myself, saw that we needed to change some things. One of those things was to change our location and the other was to become more efficient. A partnership offered these things. In the fall of 1996 we built a 4000 square foot office building near Ketchikan General Hospital and in the medical area of town. Our goal of being more efficient and able to keep up with technology has been realized. We have been able to grow with and more effectively meet the challenges change brings to our community and the profession. In the fall of 2012 we began to offer periodic ophthalmology specialty clinics through our practice. We hope to hire a 3<sup>rd</sup> optometrist in the summer of 2014.

## **Professional memberships**

Member American Optometric Association from 1984 to the present.

Member Alaska Optometric Association from 1987 to the present./Secretary of Alaska Optometric Association 1994-96.

## **Community activities**

Member of Ketchikan Rotary 2000 from 1992-2002

Active member of First Lutheran Church. Church Council member 2002-2010.

Church council president 2008-10

USA swimming referee 2002-2008.

Youth Soccer Coach 2000-2012.

Little League Baseball Coach 2004-2008

Boy Scouts of America Adult Volunteer 2005-2012

## **References**

1. Keith Anderson, pastor, First Lutheran Church 907-617-1283
2. Dirk Richardson, CPA 907-254-1877
3. Rick Swearingen, O.D./Business Partner. 907-254-1568
4. Ernie Meloche, M.D./Emergency Room 907-225-5171
5. Samuel Barloon, M.D./Ophthalmology 206-215-3850
6. Andrew Pankow, M.D./Internal Medicine 907-254-2514

